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Applicant:

M. H. Chen, et al.

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For:

Ophthalmic Compositions for Treating Ocular Hypertension

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action dated April 16, 2008 setting forth shortened statutory period fir response ending July 16, 2008. Reconsideration of applicant's claims is requested. Any additional fees required in connection with this response may be taken from Merck Deposit account no. 13-2755. Please amend the application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS begin on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS begin on page 11 of this paper.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, on the date appearing below.

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